IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
		:	Examiner: B. O. Dulaney
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Application No.: 09/964,787)	
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits and in response to the final Office Action mailed

January 5, 2010, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows: